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RESOLUTION NO. SP-**8890**, S-2022

A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO BY AND BETWEEN THE QUEZON CITY GOVERNMENT REPRESENTED BY THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY, HONORABLE MENARDO I. GUEVARRA, FOR THE UTILIZATION OF THE JUSTICE CECILIA MUÑOZ PALMA HALL, FUNDED, DEVELOPED AND CONSTRUCTED BY THE CITY GOVERNMENT, LOCATED WITHIN THE QUEZON CITY HALL COMPOUND.

Introduced by Councilors FRANZ S. PUMAREN and DONATO "Donny" C. MATIAS.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Bernard R. Herrera, Lena Marie P. Juico, Dorothy A. Delarmente, M.D., Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Nicole Ella V. Crisologo, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Winston "Winnie" T. Castelo, Ramon P. Medalla, Mikey F. Belmonte, Estrella C. Valmocina, Kate Galang-Coseteng, Matias John T. Defensor, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, Jorge L. Banal, Sr., Peachy V. De Leon, Imee A. Rillo, Marra C. Suntay, Irene R. Belmonte, Resty B. Malañgen, Ivy L. Lagman, Hero M. Bautista, Jose A. Visaya, Patrick Michael Vargas, Ram V. Medalla, Allan Butch T. Francisco, Marivic Co Pilar, Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Diorella Maria G. Sotto-Antonio and Noe Dela Fuente.

WHEREAS, the Department of Justice (DOJ) is a government instrumentality created under the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, with principal office at Padre Faura Street, City of Manila, and is the government's principal law agency which serves as the prosecution arm and administers the government's criminal justice system by investigating crimes and prosecuting the offenders of the law;

WHEREAS, Sections 455 (b)(2)(vi) and 455 (b)(1)(ix) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, states that the City Mayor shall: "call upon the appropriate law enforcement agencies to suppress disorder, riot, lawless violence, rebellion or sedition, or to apprehend violators of the law when public interest so requires and the City police forces are inadequate to cope with the situation or the violators," and, "allocate and assign office space to city and other officials and employees who, by law or ordinance, are entitled to such space in the city hall and other buildings owned or leased by the City Government";

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WHEREAS, to pursue the stipulations contained from the abovementioned provisions of the Local Government Code of 1991, the Quezon City Government has appropriated fund, developed and constructed a Six (6)-Storey Building with Mezzanine and Roof Deck containing an aggregate floor area of seven thousand two hundred ten (7,210) square meters, more or less, located within the Quezon City Hall Compound known as the "Justice Cecilia Muñoz Palma Hall" that will serve as office for all employees and staff of DOJ and its attached agencies consisting of the Prosecution Service and Public Attorney's Office while being stationed or assigned in Quezon City;





WHEREAS, on November 14, 2014, the City Government and the DOJ entered into a Memorandum of Agreement wherein the former assigned in favor of the latter the administration, management, utilization, maintenance, security and upkeep of the Justice Cecilia Muñoz Palma Hall and the one thousand five hundred ninety-eight (1,598) square meter portion of Lot 1, Pcs-4564 covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. RT-30112 (258840) of the Registry of Deeds of Quezon City, on which the said building is situated;

WHEREAS, the DOJ has been continuously occupying the aforementioned real properties, performing its mandate to investigate and prosecute cases involving violation of penal laws and ensuring the efficient and effective delivery of criminal justice;

WHEREAS, there is an incessant need to provide ample and sufficient space to the concerned DOJ employees and the transacting general public, to protect their health and lives and to satisfy the required existing health protocols in order to minimize, if not totally eliminate, the spread of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 22 (c) and 455 (b)(1)(vi) of the Local Government Code of 1991, the City Mayor shall represent the City in all its business transactions and sign in its behalf all bonds, contracts, obligations, and such other documents upon the authority of the Sangguniang Panlungsod or pursuant to law or ordinance;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Government, through the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, and the DOJ, represented by its Secretary, Honorable Menardo I. Guevarra, entered into a Memorandum of Agreement, duly signed by the parties and notarized on March 2, 2022, to utilize the said properties for its intended purpose.



NOW, THEREFORE,


BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to ratify, as it does hereby ratify, the Memorandum of Agreement entered into by and between the Quezon City Government represented by the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, and the Department of Justice, represented by its Secretary, Honorable Menardo I. Guevarra, for the utilization of the Justice Cecilia Muñoz Palma Hall, funded, developed and constructed by the City Government, located within the Quezon City Hall Compound.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of the subject Memorandum of Agreement shall form an integral part of this Resolution.

ADOPTED: March 21, 2022.



ERIC Z. MEDINA
Minority Floor Leader
Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III
City Government Dept. Head III

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on March 21, 2022 and was CONFIRMED under Suspended Rules on the same date.


Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III
City Government Dept. Head III

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